

Dear AAUW Members –

Welcome back to another year! We are proud to say that since 1933, the Beaver Dam branch has been supporting the AAUW mission of advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

As you know, one of the ways we support the mission is by raising funds in our annual Scholarship Gift Basket Auction so that we can give two or three \$2,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors each year. This event is our one and only fundraiser for the year. Through the generosity of our members and guests, we have raised over \$54,000 in the last ten years. As we plan for our 24th basket auction October 17, think about who and how many people you are going to invite as guests. More people potentially means more money for our cause! It's such a fun night out with friends, plus you can treat yourself to a basket or do some early Christmas shopping. Some of the guests in the past have worked together to buy a basket, hence splitting the cost and the goods. Let's fill the room and make it our best basket auction yet!

We have an exciting year of informative and interesting programs planned for you. We will be kicking off the year with a casual gathering at Heidi's house (309 Farwell Road) on August 29 and encourage you to bring your friends. We will share some things about AAUW and have a fun night of sharing food and conversation.

For the second year in a row, we have selected the Dodge County Humane Society as our non-profit group for the year. Last year, we were pleased to

present them with lots of items, plus a \$151 check, thanks to your generosity.

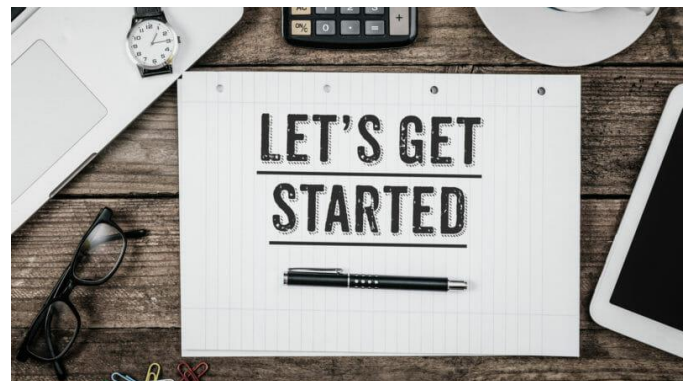
Enjoy the rest of the summer and we will see you soon!

Your co-presidents,

Diane Kitchen and Heidi Jones-Freeby

UPCOMING PROGRAMS....

We will start our "year" with an informal gathering at Heidi Jones-Freeby's home (309 Farwell Road) on Wednesday, **August 29**, starting at **6:30**. In years past we usually started the year with a meeting that was more social and explained what was going to happen throughout the year. We decided to bring back that idea. Please bring your friends. We are always looking for new members. Catch up with old friends and make some new ones.



On Wednesday, **September 19** we will be meeting at Landmark Credit Union to learn about cyber security from the experts at Interquest. The program starts at **6:30**. We hear about the

problems of stealing information from our computers, now we may be able to do something about it.

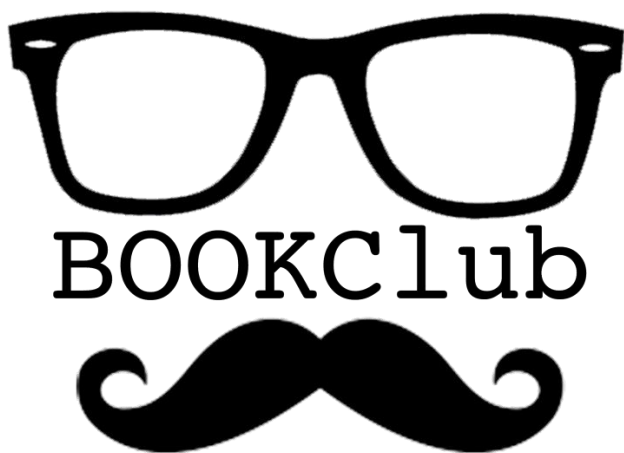
Our annual Basket Auction will be Wednesday, **October 17** at Old Hickory.

November 14, Wednesday, will learn about the migrant experience in the Beaver Dam area through a panel. English Language Learner (ELL) Coordinator, Erica Avila, will help lead this. It will be held at the high school but no room assigned yet because of the construction. Make sure you are there to learn how this prominent issue affects us locally at **6:30**.

We will not meet in December.



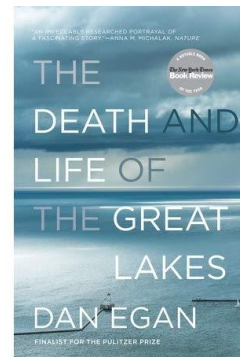
January 16, Wednesday, will be “Crafty Game Night”. We couldn’t decide whether to focus on crafts or games...so we will do both. This will be at our new Beaver Dam Area Community Theater on Maple Street. So, bring something that you are working on and/or a game and join in on an informal night of learning. Program begins at **6:30**.



Our AAUW Branch really loves to read. We love reading so much that we have TWO Book Clubs. One is held monthly in the morning at Higher Grounds Coffee Shop usually on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. On the fourth Monday night of the month, the night book club meets at various members’ homes at 7:00 p.m.

NIGHT BOOK CLUB

We begin the year on September 24 at Jackie Fure’s home (332 Monroe Street). The book of discussion is “the Death and Life of the Five Great Lakes” by Dan Egan. Since we live a state that is bordered by two of the Great Lakes, this should be of interest to all of us. We are aware of the beauty of our lakes, but are we aware of the transformation they are undergoing. This book should enlighten us all.



On October 22, we will be reading “Origin” by Dan Brown. Robert Langdon is at it again. Seriously, he would be someone I would stay away from...he always seems to be caught in the most perilous situations. Find out how his newest adventure ends at Denis Roedl’s home (1200 Circle Drive West).

“Five Presidents” by Clint Hill will be the book of choice for November 26 at Kathi Gallus’s home (712 West Street). Mr. Hill relates his experiences as a Secret Service agent for Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon and Ford.

On January 28, Mary Kahler will be hosting (209 Beaver Street) the discussion of “City of Thieves” by David Benioff. The setting is World War 2 in Leningrad which is under siege. Be prepared to discuss who you would cast in the movie.

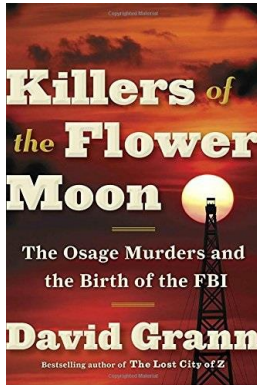
DAY BOOK CLUB

Day Book Club starts its season out with “Origin” by Dan Brown. The fifth book in the Robert Langdon series. This time he is in Spain and working with artificial intelligence. Barb Hartwig and Deanna Disch are the hosts. September 14 is the date.

On October 9 “Fascism” by Madeline Albright will be discussed. Ms. Albright has experience with this

topic and warns us of its presence. The hosts are Denise Roedl and Kathi Gallus for this timely discussion.

“Killers of the Flower Moon” By David Gram will be the book du jour on November 13. This true life murder mystery is set in Oklahoma and describes the beginning of the F.B.I. Diana Schneider and Andrea Utrie are the hosts.



December 11 will bring back an oldie but goodie when the group discusses “The Catcher in the Rye” by J.D. Salinger. Annette Kamps and Kay Stellpflug are the hosts as this 1951 classic is talked over.

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---A Basket Auction



Our annual fundraiser, the Basket Auction, will be held **October 17** at Old Hickory. Bobbi Marck and Beth Jewell are chairpeople for this event. Details will be coming soon in the form of an invitation to members. Members are encouraged to create baskets to be sold through auction. **We are asking that you get your baskets to Old Hickory before noon on October 17.** If you are unable to get it there, please contact Heidi Freeby (344-0160) and you may bring it to her house. If you are unable to come up with a basket, a monetary donation is suggested. Proceeds are used for scholarships for post high school education. This year we were able to give out three

scholarships. Hope to see you there !!!! With your guests!!!

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Board Meeting—July 19

- Cutting back on the food that is available at programs. Social Committees will be smaller as we will use those members whose last names begin with A-M this year for program snacks. Those whose last names begin N-Z will bring items for the year end brunch.
- Looking at a returning student scholarship. Jan Sutter will look into the feasibility of that.
- Still looking for co-vice presidents and a publicity person.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Checking balance	784.91
Savings balance	3551.13

2018 Scholarship Recipients

This spring our AAUW Branch was able to give out three scholarships at \$2,000 each.



Madeline Biel is attending Western Michigan University in the fall. She plans to pursue a degree in nursing.



Ashley Saniter will be going to Concordia University in the fall. She will be studying Rehabilitative Science with an end goal of becoming an Occupational Therapist. In high school her favorite classes were AP Psychology and Human Anatomy/Physiology. Those classes sparked her interest in learning more about how the body works which led to her major. She was very active in high school; participating in National Honors Society, Link Crew, Tennis, Boys Tennis Manager, Track, Marching Band, Jazz Band and Pep Band. She looks forward to play tennis on Concordia's tennis team and meeting new people.



Rachel DesJardins plans to either get a degree in biology or go into pre-pharmacy. She will be attending the University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire in the fall.

**You're off to Great Places!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting,
So...get on your way!**
-Dr. Seuss

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